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| 10 | United States of America | |
| 12 | IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT | |
| 13 | EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA | |
| 14 15 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CA | SE NO. 2:22-cr-0206 TLN |
| 16 17 | Vic v. 18 | lation: 15 U.S.C. § 1 – Bid-Rigging Conspiracy; J.S.C. § 666(a)(2) – Bribery Concerning grams Receiving Federal Funds |
| 18 | 8 BILL R. MILLER, | |
| 19 | 9 Defendant. | |
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| 21 | <u>INFORMATION</u> | |
| 22 | COUNT ONE: [15 U.S.C. § 1 – Bid-Rigging Conspiracy] | |
| 23 | The United States Attorney charges: T H A T | |
| 24 | BILL R. MILLER, | |
| 25 | defendant herein; Choon Foo Yong AKA Keith Yong, an agent of the California Department of | |
| 26 | Transportation (Caltrans); William D. Opp; and others, beginning at least as early as in or about 2015, | |
| 27 | and continuing until at least through 2019, in the Eastern District of California and elsewhere, | |
| 28 | knowingly entered into and engaged in a combination a | and conspiracy to suppress and eliminate |

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1 competition by rigging bids to obtain state government contracts. The combination and conspiracy 2 engaged in by the defendant and co-conspirators was a per se unlawful, and thus unreasonable, restraint 3 of interstate trade and commerce in violation of the Sherman Act, Title 15, United States Code, Section 4 1. The charged combination and conspiracy consisted of a continuing agreement, understanding, and 5 concert of action among the defendant and co-conspirators, the substantial terms of which were to rig 6 bids for improvement and repair contracts awarded by Caltrans. During the period covered by this 7 Information, the busines activities of the defendant and co-conspirators that are the subject of this 8 Information were within the flow of, and substantially affected, interstate commerce. 9 COUNT TWO: [18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(2) – Bribery Concerning Programs Receiving Federal Funds] 10 The United States Attorney charges: T H A T 11 BILL R. MILLER, 12 defendant herein, between on or about January 1, 2018, and continuing through at least as late as on or 13 about December 31, 2018, in the Eastern District of California and elsewhere, did knowingly and 14 corruptly give, offer, and agree to give something of value, namely United States currency, to Choon Foo Yong AKA Keith Yong—while Yong was an agent of Caltrans, a California state agency that 15 16 received federal benefits in excess of \$10,000 in 2018—intending to influence and reward Yong in 17 connection with a business, transaction, and series of transactions at Caltrans with value of \$5,000 or 18 more, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 666(a)(2). 19 PHILLIP A. TALBERT U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE United States Attorney, By ANTITRUST DIVISION, By 20 21 JONATHAN S. KANTER 22 Assistant United States Attorney Assistant Attorney General 23 24 **Director of Criminal Enforcement** 25 26 CHRISTOPHER J. CARLBERG 27 TAI S. MILDER Trial Attorneys

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COUNT 1:

VIOLATION:

15 U.S.C. § 1 – Bid-Rigging Conspiracy

PENALTIES:

A maximum of up to 10 years in prison; or

Fine of up to \$1,000,000 or twice the gross pecuniary gain to the defendant or twice the

gross pecuniary loss resulting from the offense; or both fine and imprisonment

Supervised release of up to 3 years

COUNT 2:

VIOLATION:

18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(2) – Bribery Concerning Programs Receiving Federal Funds

PENALTIES:

A maximum of up to 10 years in prison; or

Fine of up to \$250,000 or twice the gross pecuniary gain to the defendant or twice the

gross pecuniary loss resulting from the offense; or both fine and imprisonment

Supervised release of up to 3 years

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT: \$100 (mandatory on each count)